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**Government to retry Lincoln Park case**

United States Attorney Robert Clark Corrente announced today that the government will retry the charges in U.S. v. Nigel Potter, Daniel Bucci and Burrillville Racing Association (Lincoln Park) that the jury was unable to resolve in the trial that concluded on February 24. Mr. Corrente issued the following statement:

“Last week, the jury in the Lincoln Park trial was unable to arrive at a unanimous verdict with respect to most of the charges against the defendants, leading Judge Lisi to declare a mistrial. This inconclusive result leaves unresolved the important issues that impelled us to bring the case in the first place.

“The basis of the allegations in the indictment is that planning to pay millions of dollars as an “incentive” or a show of “gratitude” to politically connected figures is fundamentally inconsistent with the notion of honest government.

“This issue is too important to the people of Rhode Island to be left unresolved. Accordingly, we will retry the Lincoln Park case against all three defendants. We will confer with the court about the scheduling of the retrial and we’ll be ready to go as soon as the court’s schedule permits.

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“Finally, I want to compliment the prosecution team, Craig Moore, Peter Neronha and Michelle Colson from our office, along with Special Agent Jim Pitcavage from the FBI and Detective Corporal Doug Newberg from the Rhode Island State Police. This team worked tirelessly, for months, to put this case together and present it to the jury. I think they did a masterful job, and I’m proud of them.”

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